

JANUARY 28, 1993

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ATTN: SENATOR TIM LESLIE
RE: PROPOSED RULE **PR DOCKET 92-235**

SENATOR,

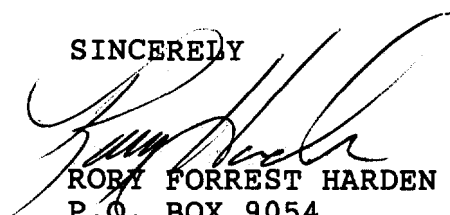
THERE IS CURRENT LEGISLATION TO ADD NEW FREQUENCIES BETWEEN THE ALREADY EXISTING MODEL AIRCRAFT BANDS. THESE NEW FREQUENCIES WOULD BE DESIGNATED TO MOBILE USE SUCH AS PHONES, PAGERS, AND RADIOS IN NON RESTRICTED AREAS. THIS WOULD CREATE A HAZARD TO THE MANY PEOPLE WHO ENJOY THE SPORT OF RADIO CONTROL MODEL AIRCRAFT. WHEN TWO FREQUENCIES OVER LAP THE END RESULT IS THE MODEL AIRCRAFT CRASHES WITH THE PILOT HAVING NO CONTROL WHAT SO EVER OF WHERE, IN A STREET, A CAR, A HOUSE, OR A CROWD OF PEOPLE WHO ARE WATCHING THE MODEL AIRCRAFT. FLYING MODELS TEND TO DRAW A CROWD.

I PERSONALLY HAVE MANY AIRCRAFT, SOME RANGING IN COST OF \$3000.00 DOLLARS AND SOME CAN WEIGH UP TO 55 POUNDS. I HAVE HAD FREQUENCY CRASHES AND IT IS THE MOST HELPLESS FEELING YOU CAN GET IN THIS SPORT. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW GOOD A PILOT YOU ARE YOU LOSE YOUR AIRPLANE AND YOU JUST PRAY IT DOESN'T HIT ANYONE.

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL **VOTE AGAINST** THIS NEW VIOLATION OF OUR FLYING FREQUENCIES. AT ALL FIELDS THERE IS FREQUENCY CONTROL OF SOME KIND AND THE ACCIDENTS ARE HELD TO A MINIMUM BUT WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE THERE WOULD BE A CLOUD OF DOUBT THAT WOULD GREATLY HINDER A SPORT THAT I SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AT. I AM A AVID CONTEST FLYER AND TRAVEL AROUND THE STATE TO COMPETE. THIS YEAR WILL SEE ME GOING TO OTHER STATES TO COMPETE. AGAIN, PLEASE **VOTE NO** ON THESE NEW FREQUENCIES. IF I'M GOING TO LOSE ONE OF MY PLANES I WOULD LIKE TO BELIEVE THAT I DID IT NOT SOME ONE OUT ON THE HIGHWAY CALLING HOME.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME REGARDING THIS MATTER.

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Dear Mr. Doolittle:

I am retired and derive many hours of enjoyment from constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The preceding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio controlled frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio controlled frequencies are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower band widths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control frequencies and cause interference to radio control operations. I am told that

I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important